



EZ SWIMMING TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING **APPROVED MINUTES
SATURDAY APRIL 10, 2021 12:00pm ET**

CALL TO ORDER

12:02pm

TECH COMMITTEE ROLE CALL

TRISTAN FORMON	CHAIR
JENN DIXON	ADIRONACK
ELLEN JOHNSTON	CONNECTICUT
MARCEL DA PONTE	MAINE
PATRICK JOHNSTONE	NEW ENGLAND
WILL CHIDSEY	NIAGARA
AARON ZHU	EZ ATHLETE DIRECTOR
GAVIN FORMON	EZ JUNIOR ATHLETE REP
TJ WALSH (NJ)	ATHLETE

Guests

TIM HUSSON	EZ NON COACH DIRECTOR
JERRY ADAMS	EZ COACH DIRECTOR
RICK LEWIS	CONNECTICUT
JEN LYMAN	CONNECTICUT
MARY ELLEN TYNAN	MAINE
CAROL HEALY	NEW ENGLAND
MARCI CALLAN	NIAGARA

Not Present

GEORGIANN BARRY	ALLEGHENY MOUNTAIN
TOM HIMES	MARYLAND
JOHN YEARWOOD	METRO
MIKE RINDE	MID ATLANTIC
KIP HEIN	NEW JERSEY
STEVE HENNESSY	VIRGINIA
EVAN STILES	POTOMAC
JAKE EASTMAN (NE)	ATHLETE
NICHOLAS POULOS (MD)	ATHLETE
ISABELLA DONATO (AM)	ATHLETE
MARY TURNER	VIRGINIA
BRENDAN HANSEN	USA SWIMMING
KAITLIN PAWLOWICZ	USA SWIMMING

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None - **MSA**



MARCH MINUTES MSA

EZ 2021 Winter Sectionals – Recap

The final meet format was prelim/final for 3 days and the format was well-received by the athletes and coaches in attendance.

EZ 2021 Summer Super Sectionals Richmond VA – Status Update

Four day prelim/final meet. 326/500 athletes were entered in the first 24 hours on OME. There are 30-40 waiting to be checked out with a 500 athlete max cap. Standards will remain unchanged from 2020.

EZ 2021 Open Water Champs Middlebury, CT

Jen Lyman was unable to attend today. She reported that CT are still not open fully and is hopeful to push the CT Open Water Meet to August 2021. She feels it is in the best interest of the Eastern Zone to offer two open water championships to best serve the needs of the athletes across the Eastern Zone for 2021. Tim Husson requested that Jen draft a proposal for consideration at the Eastern Zone spring meeting for funding for two meets vs. one meet, potentially reappropriating/utilizing funds from 2020/2021.

EZ 2021 AG Zones – Richmond VA

2021 will mark the first Eastern Zone Age Group Championship without 15 and overs. It is expected there will be 13/14 prelim, 11/12 prelim, 10 & under timed final, and finals. There will be a 250 athlete cap per session as with all meets at SwimRVA. Mary Turner, Marci Callan, JoAnn Faucett, Carol Healey, and Tristan Formon will work on developing a format for consideration by technical. The 2021 Age Group Zone Meet will likely look very different to prior years. If all 12 LSCs attend, we will be looking at an average of just over 20 athletes per session per LSC.

EZ 2021 SNR Zones – Buffalo NY

Tristan had a conference call with TJ Day on Tuesday. Star Swimming are likely to be able to host 150 athletes per session, with flighted prelims and then finals. ABC final, similar format to Super Sectionals.

EZ 2021 Winter AG Zone Champs Leaderboard – Status Update

Tim Husson reported that he pulled results this past weekend one more time in order to capture any outstanding meets. The 2021 Eastern Zone Leaderboard is now final. Marci reported that Webster are now permitting two team meets through July and it is unlikely that the Eastern Zone will be able to host an in-person spring short course yard Age Group Zone Championships.

LSC Updates: Competitive / Water Access Status

AD – Jenn reported that some teams are functioning. There have been a number of intrasquad and dual meets thus far.

CT – Ellen/Rick reported that CT have dropped their cohort regulations. There is no longer a limit on numbers in lanes provided 6 feet social distancing is maintained. There have been a few



more dual meets and in-house meets. They are hopeful to have a potential LCM Championship series including senior and age group with 200-225 athlete caps.

ME – Marcel said that a number of teams are running workouts and dual meets. Indoor capacity is up to 50% or 50 people, whichever is greater. In May, this will transition to 75% or 75 people.

NE – Patrick/Aaron reported they just wrapped up their LSC leaderboard for the past 6 weeks with good participation. All meets were SCY. Bids are starting to come in for the summer, all are SCY with one LCM meet bid. There are hopes for a LCM championship. As weather improves, there are hopes for access to outdoor water, specifically LCM.

NI – Marci reported that access to water is still regional. There are teams in the Buffalo area who have been able to have access to 17-18 competitive opportunities but very scattered opportunities throughout the balance of the LSC with many teams partnering to create opportunities.

NJ – TJ reported that the YMCA held their national festival (NJ location) this past weekend. There have been a number of dual meets and intrasquads, restrictions are easing. NJS recently wrapped up its 4 week leaderboard.

PVS – Tim reported that PVS has sanctioned 75 SCY meets since October. All of the meets have been in North Virginia. MD is still restricted to 4-5 per lane for practice and no competition. DC is restricted to 1 athlete per lane. There have been two LCM time trials in Northern Virginia. PVS recently wrapped up a robust championship series serving many athletes throughout the LSC.

ZDC Updates: Tim/Jerry/Gavin/Aaron

Reminder to sign up for the upcoming Zone Workshops.

2021 EZ Spring Technical Meeting Wednesday May 19th 7:00pm

2021 EZ Spring General Meeting Thursday May 20th 7:00pm

NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday May 19th 7:00pm

ADJOURNMENT

12:33pm

The mission of the Eastern Zone is to develop a unified organization designed to work in cooperation with the LSCs to support and promote the Eastern Zone Swimming Membership.